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If you do not like this doggerel, or fail the fun
to see.
Then there's someone lacking humour- and it's
either you or me
(G.S.A.).



A

stands for Ass, as all of us know,
Most Hunts have a few, some a
dozen or so.



is the Bounder who brags about fences,
His horses, subscriptions and other
expenses.



is the Coper who'll sell you a horse,
And if he don't suit he'll exchange
him, of course!



Dare the Dangers Hunt servants endure,
At Christmas you will not forget
them, I'm sure.



for Enthusiast, hardy and brave,
Who would hunt every day on this
side of the grave.



is the Fox upon whom runs depend,
I for one do not grudge him an earth
at the end.



G is the Gate, which by Hunt etiquette
We should shut if we're last, but
we're apt to forget.



H for the Huntsman who's always in
front,
It's a very queer place throws him
out of a hunt.



I stands for "Industry," loved of the
Master,
No fox goes so fast that she cannot
go faster.



Jstands for Jorrocks of famed Handley Cross,
Again 'twill be "sixpence for catching my
'oss."



for the Keeper who may be suspected
When hounds find a fox where he isn't
expected.



for the Ladies whom fashion disposes
To colour their lips as some toppers their
noses.



M

for the "Marmeylad" Binjamin
stole,
Quite a minor misdeed for this
scamp on the whole.



for the National, greatest of
'chases,
The fences are big, and a cracker
the pace is.



for the "young 'Oss" some Coper has
sold
To a mug, who discovers he's thirty
years old.



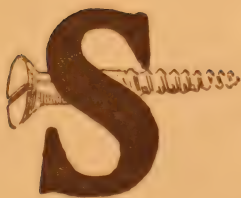
P is for Publican pulling the pot,
Which sometimes helps thirsty souls
home—sometimes not.



stands for Quadruped, such as a
horse,
But "three legs and a swinger"'s
quite common, of course.




stands for Runner, no chance he lets
slip
By hook or by crook of extracting a
tip.



is the Screw you can hire for the
day,
Hunted three days a week, and
hacked Sundays, they say.



 **T** for the Thruster, "In, over or through,"
When a brook has pulled up sober
people like you.



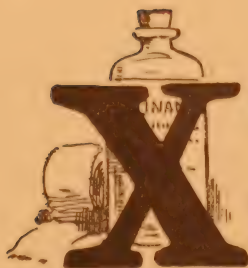
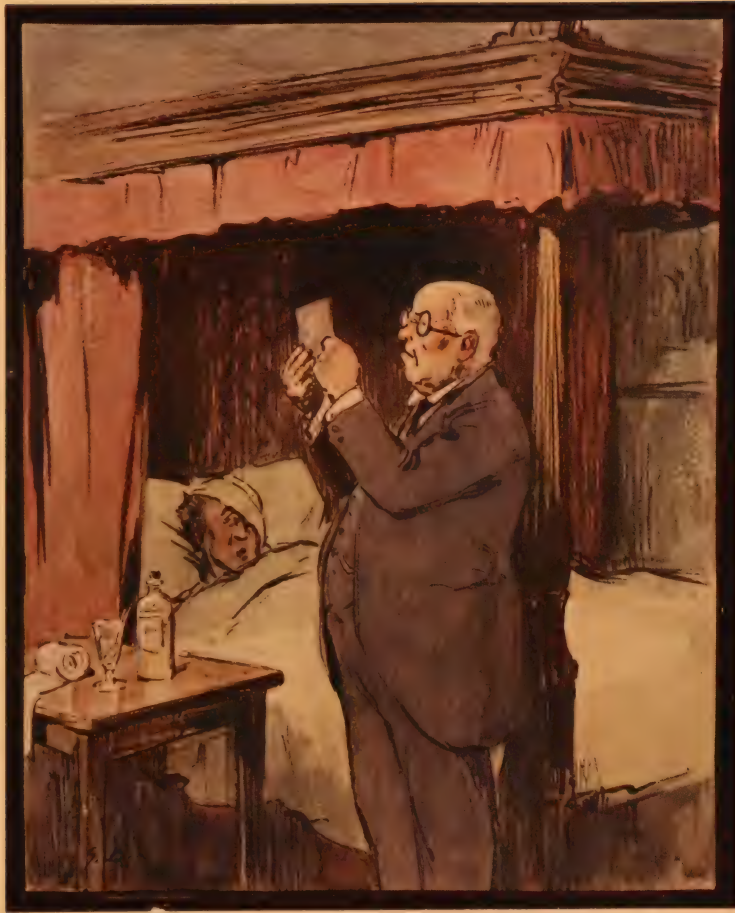
U stands for Underground, spades and
the rest,
A wretchedly cold-blooded business
at best.



V is the Vulpicide mean who by night
Lays traps for our foxes, or shoots
them at sight.



for Wisdom acquired in old age,
If the cap fits too well, then
turn over the page.



is for X-rays: what help they can
lend,
They even may show that there's
nothing to mend.



is the Yawner that most folks eschew,
I think I'd go round like the others,
don't you?



for the Zig-zags the old foxes plan
On a bad scenting day to bamboozle
a man.

